

between lines 30 and 31, insert the following heading:

--DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS--;

and

Page 4, line 18, delete "of";

Page 5, line 31, after "point" (last occurrence) insert --or--.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 7, 8, 9 10 and 11 as follows:

Claim 1, line 7, after "points," began a new paragraph;  
line 8, after "points, (1st occurrence) begin a new  
paragraph;  
line 9, after "points," (1st occurrence) being a new  
paragraph.

Claim 7, line 1, change "Claims 5 or 6" to --claim 5--.

Claim 8, line 1, change "one of the preceding Claims" to  
--claim 1--.

Claim 9, line 3, change "any of Claims 1 to 8" to --claim 1--.

Claim 10, line 2, after "9" insert --,-- (comma).

Claim 11, line 1, change "instruction" to "--instructions--;  
line 2, change "one of claims 1 to 8" to --claim 1--.

Please add the following new claim 12:

12. A method as claimed in claim 6, including an enhancement operation performed on spatially filtered string point data, comprising steps of :

- selecting string points [A(i,j)] using the list of the control signal [St(i,j)],
- enhancing the string point data with respect to their local environment,
- and constructing a filtered second image data by performing an insertion of the enhanced spatially filtered data of the string points into the temporally filtered data of the background points, controlled by the binary control signal.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Page 16, before line 1, delete in its entirety and substitute the following heading: --ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE--;  
line 4, change "image said method comprising," to --image. The method is--;